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Presentation at Dysart

Council hears Dombind details

by Ariel White

Dysart council will continue to use Dombind as a dust suppressant on its gravel roads. The decision to continue using the product emerged following a presentation made at the February 16 meeting of Dysart et al council. However, Reeve Murray Fearrey said that the council would continue to monitor the studies into the product to ensure its safety. He noted that the Ministry of Environment has no objection to the use of Dombind as a dust suppressant.

A representative of the company was on hand to explain the positive aspects of the road dust suppressant. P. James McKee, the pulp mill superintendent at Norampac Inc. told council, and several representatives of cottage associations from the Dysart area, that he hoped to demystify the product and wanted to make sure that it continues to be used on Dysart roads.

Norampac is a division of Domtar Packaging of Trenton. The company makes corrugated cardboard products, and distributes the effluent by-product, Dombind, for use as a dust suppressant on gravel roads. Currently the product is used in over 70 municipalities across the province. The presentation is part of the Norampac 'Safe Roads, Clean Air' campaign.

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Donor provides new shirts for shooters



Youngsters taking part in the Monday night basketball league proudly display their new shirts. The shirts were donated by Gord King, centre. Paul Walker, centre right, organizes the weekly work-out with Jeff Carpenter. The sessions are sponsored by the Minden and District Lions Club, represented by Nick Bokestyn and Maurice Boyd, left.

The Minden Monday Night Basketball players are looking pretty sharp these days, thanks to the generosity of a new resident to the county.

The 10 to 13 year-old boys and girls started their weekly workouts in November, at the Archie Stouffer Elementary School gymnasium. That is where their benefactor noticed them shooting hoops one Monday night

Gord King, who plays badminton at the ASES gym Monday following the basketball action, saw Paul Walker and Jeff Carpenter working with the youngsters. He liked what he saw so much, he wanted to do something for the group. So, he decided to donate T-shirts for each of the 30-plus participants.

"The community needs to be supportive of this type of activity," King said.

King recently moved to the Moore Falls area from Toronto and he says he knows how much of a positive effect the opportunity to play basketball will have on the youngsters of the area.

The Minden Lions Club is also helping by donating funds to help offset the cost of the gym rental.

This is the fourth season Walker and Carpenter have been operating the Monday Night Basketball sessions. Walker said the plan is to keep the action strictly recreational so kids with all levels of skill can have fun and improve their play.

Sommerville backs bottle refund proposal

The following is a brief account of some of the items discussed at the February 17 regular meeting of the Somerville Municipal Council.

Somerville supports refund system for glass bottles

Council reviewed a letter from the Township of Hagarty and Richards concerning the large amount of waste glass in Ontario waste disposal sites. The township is hoping to get the support of all of the province's municipalities in creating a deposit and refund system for liquor bottles, to reduce waste glass.

Reeve Dianne Austin stated that she felt this was an important issue that council should support. "I think that we should send a resolution to back them on this," she said. "This is the only way

we are ever going to get anything done."

Councillor John Byrne asked for a recorded vote on the resolution and voted against the proposal. Councillors Austin and Thrasher, Deputy Reeve MacDonald and Reeve Austin voted in favour of supporting the resolution.

Canadian Unity debated

The Supreme Court of Canada is not the only body currently discussing Canadian Unity and Quebec's right to secession.

At the last meeting of council, Jim McKee came before council to propose a resolution to support English municipalities in the province of Quebec which wish to remain Canadian, in the event of a referendum result in favour

of separation. Currently almost 50 municipalities in Quebec support this resolution.

Reeve Dianne Austin noted that the issue had been brought up at Victoria County Council and would be discussed at the next meeting.

Council passed the resolution to support these communities in Quebec in the event of a vote for separation. Copies of this resolution will be sent to MPP Chris Hodgson and Prime Minister Jean Chrétien.

Park up for grabs

Council received a letter from the Ministry of Transportation regarding the Lightning Point Park on Highway 35 in Somerville Township. The MTO will no longer be responsible for the

park in regard to lawn maintenance, garbage pick up and general maintenance. The letter asked council if the township would consider taking over the facility.

Reeve Austin wondered what type of extra work would be involved in taking over the park. Councillor John Austin stated that perhaps one of Somerville's service clubs such as the Lions or the Civitan club would be willing to take over the maintenance of the park, although services such as garbage pick up would have to be handled by the municipality regardless of which organization volunteered to take over responsibility for the operation. A letter will be sent out to the groups which may be willing to run the facility for the municipality.

Dysart council okays Dombind

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"We want to make sure that there are no misconceptions about what we are," said McKee. "We want to make sure that everyone who uses it is well educated. We want to make sure all of the road crews are fully aware of how to apply it." He said that the product has been in use for over 40 years in Prince Edward County, where the mill is located. McKee stressed the fact that Dombind is bio-degradable.

Representatives from Harcourt Park, Redstone Lake and Haliburton Lake cottage associations listened intently to the presentation and asked few questions. Their main concern was the effects of the product on bird and animal life as well as any chemicals that may drain off treated roads into the water table.

Pair charged after snowmobiles stolen

Two people have been charged following the recovery of two snowmobiles stolen January 25 in Haliburton.

The two snowmobiles, both 1998 Polaris Indy 500s valued at \$12,000, were seen being driven on Haliburton Lake February 17. The individuals who observed the drivers called the police when they noticed the suspicious manner in which the machine were being driven. OPP officers arrived on the scene and arrested two people and charged them with possessions of stolen property over \$5000.

Charged are 18 year old Jamie Wallace of West Guilford and 19 year old Donald Charles Reid of Haliburton. Wallace also faces a charge of break and enter in relation to another incident. The pair will appear in court in Minden April 1.

McKee told the meeting that the Norampac mill, in Trenton, produces the fluted corrugated cardboard used for boxes. The corrugated medium is mixed with sodium carbonate, found in most laundry detergent. The cardboard chips and the sodium carbonate go through several machines until the pulp is separated from the effluent, called lignin. This by-product is then mixed with water and distributed to municipalities to be used as a dust suppressant. When Dombind is sprayed onto the road, the water portion of the product evaporates and the Dombind remains to keep the dust and dirt at bay.

Reeve Murray Fearrey stated that many residents were worried about the possibility of water contamination as a result of the use of Dombind. "The concern we are hearing is about the chemicals that are making it into the water bodies," said Fearrey.

The key to Dombind is its application, said McKee. "I can't argue that it can't make it into the water body if it is improperly applied," he said. McKee also stated that the product can contaminate wells if it is improperly used.

Deputy Reeve Bill Davis asked if the municipality applies the product or the distributor. It was stated that the trucks which bring the Dombind to the township are used to spray it onto the roads. These trucks use a gravity feed system rather than a pressure feed, which means that when going up a hill, more Dombind will be released than on a flat surface. Davis stated that the municipality should look into applying Dombind with a pressure feed system to ensure the proper application of the product.

Reeve Fearrey stated that as long as the Dombind is applied properly, it would not pose a threat to anyone or anything in Dysart et al. "Until something better comes along at an acceptable price, we'll continue to use this product," he said.

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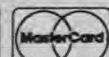
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Exchange student from down-under**Discovering the delights of a Canadian winter**

by Ariel White

Canada now has one more avid hockey fan. That isn't all that unusual until you learn this fan hadn't seen snow until a month ago.

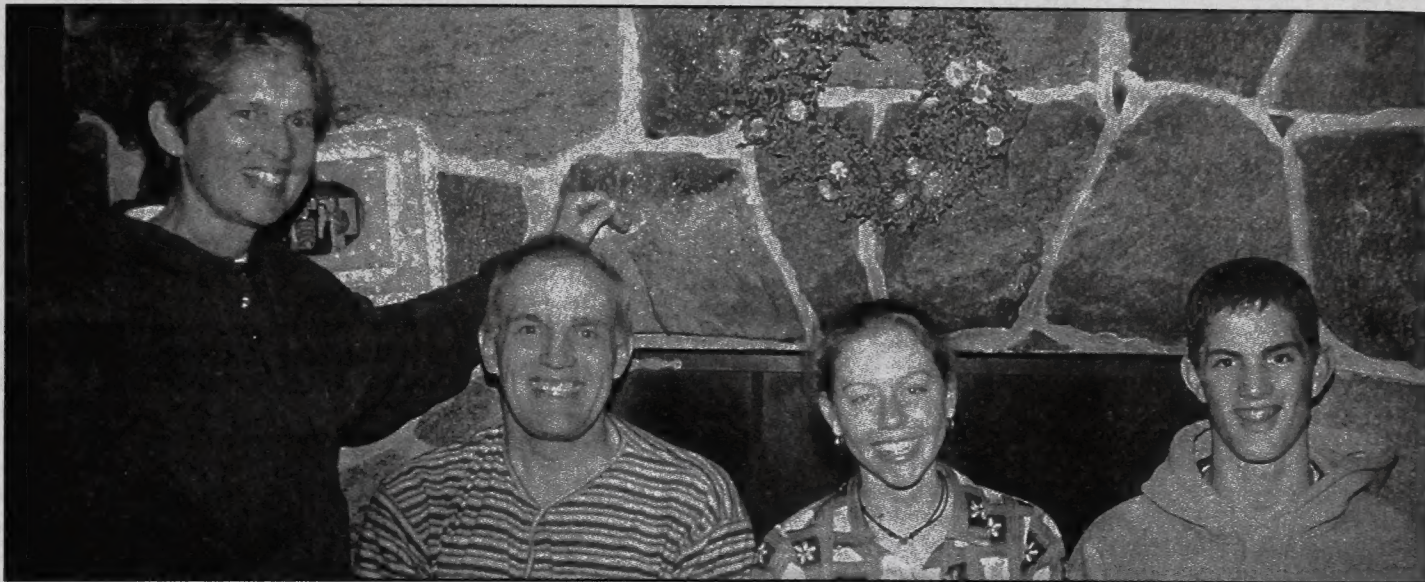
Yolanda Cowan is a Rotary Exchange student from the city of Mackay, Queensland, Australia. The seventeen year-old is spending a year here sponsored by the Minden Rotary Club.

Yolanda has been taking advantage of her first taste of winter by spending a lot of time watching hockey, learning to snowboard and ice skate. "I just love hockey," says Yolanda. "I tried staying up for the Olympic games but I fell asleep. People have asked 'how can you not have hockey?' and I say, it's because we don't have any ice!"

She is staying with Ron and Toos Reid near Carnarvon. She attends Haliburton Highlands Secondary School with their children Matt and Jodie. Yolanda will stay with the Reid family for three months and then move on to other families in the Minden area for her year-long stay in Haliburton County.

According to Yolanda, everything has been excellent. She has heard some horror stories about exchanges, but says she is having a great time with the Reid family and really enjoys the Haliburton Highlands. "I'm so glad that I got Minden. I've been snowboarding three times, I get to go skating and I've always got things to do. I feel a bit guilty because I've got such a great family to start out with." Yolanda has two brothers at home.

The Reid family communicated with Yolanda via the internet before she arrived in Canada. That gave her a chance to get a little bit of information on what life would be like in Haliburton County, although some of her visions of Canada may have been a little misguided. "Matt sent me an email and told me that Minden had igloos and Mounties, and when I got here there was a Subway," says Cowan with a chuckle. Yolanda also kept up on local events by visiting The Times OnLine web site. It was there that she she learned the Minden Sled Dog Derby was postponed for two weeks, which meant she had an opportunity to see the races.



The Reid family welcomes Australian Rotary exchange student Yolanda Cowan (third from left) into their home for three months of her year-long visit. This is the first home Yolanda has seen with a chimney. From the left: Toos and Ron Reid; Yolanda Cowan and Matt Reid.

Canada wasn't Yolanda's first choice. France and Belgium were ahead of Canada on the list. She says that now she knows better. "If it was up to me to pick all over again I would choose Canada. I am just having a fantastic time. It is unbelievable."

She is also grateful that she landed in this neck of the woods instead of a large city. This location has given her a chance to see a real Canadian winter and hopefully a white Christmas come December. "A city is a city no matter what language the signs are in. The country is a much better experience," she says.

Yolanda has a lot of experience with Rotary at home. She was the president of the youth Rotary program at her school for two years. She says that her group helped to get her school hooked up to the internet as well as fund-raising for under-privileged children. She had talked with many of the other students in the club who had been on exchange, and was told it was the best program one could ever participate in.

Although snow is a major difference between Mackay and Haliburton County, Yolanda has also noticed a few other things that aren't quite the same. She says that in her high school the class rooms are in separate buildings and stu-

dents must walk outdoors between classes, a chilly prospect in Haliburton in February. She has also tried her hand at curling in her physical education class. "It's so funny," she says. "Everyone looks so silly and I am always falling down."

Yolanda has a very positive outlook on the exchange experience. She has just graduated from high school and has already been accepted into university in Australia where she hopes to study optometry. But you never know how things may change in the course of a year. "I guess I look at this exchange as a learning experience and a chance to grow. But I am keeping my mind open. This exchange is a chance to find out about myself. I am keeping my options open," says Yolanda.

And what does the Reid family think of all of this? "It's great," says Mrs. Reid. "She has a really great attitude and is looking at the whole experience in a positive light." The Reids hope to show Yolanda the sights of Haliburton County as well as visit Toronto for a concert. She has already gone to Barrie and is scheduled to visit Niagara Falls.

The Reids have taken Yolanda into their home and into their family. Yolanda says that they have been great. "You have to be open minded about the place you are going," she says. "You have to think about the people more than the place. You could go to 'paradise' and the worst thing that could happen is that your host family treats you like a guest. Here I am a part of the family."

Health unit moves to annex HKPR territory

The Health Unit is fighting back against what it sees as an attempt to take over its territory.

Chairman of the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit Keith Tallman of Wilberforce was reacting to reports of a meeting held

February 5 in Peterborough. According to the press release issued by HKPR Health Unit the meeting was called by the City and County of Peterborough to hear a plan for their health unit to take over the public health services delivered

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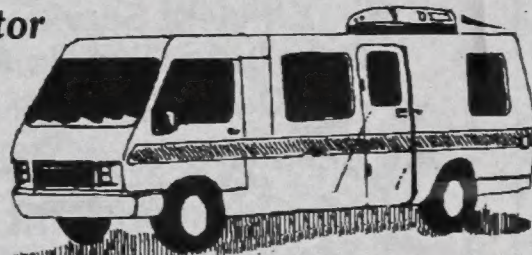
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Scratch cards leave some residents scratching their heads

Concern has been raised again about a scratch and win scheme currently in circulation in the Minden area.

Earlier last week, a card, similar to the scratch cards sold at lottery outlets was distributed through the post office to local residents. Recipients were encouraged to scratch off two of the seven covered area and if the players found two matching symbols, they were winners.

The details printed on the card offered cash prizes of \$10,000, \$5000 and

25 \$1000 prizes. Also included in the prize list was a 52" colour television set and \$2000 in what was described as premium reward certificates.

The instructions pointed out that to claim a prize, participants would have to call a 1-900 phone number for instruction. Printed in small lettering under the phone number was the notation that when the call was made, a charge of \$19.99 would be levied against the individual's phone bill. The exact wording is "\$19.99 per call".

Also explained in the fine print at the bottom of the card was the fact that of the 3,500,000 cards distributed there would be only one winner each of the \$10,000, \$5,000 and television prizes, twenty-five \$1,000 winners and 3,500,000 winners of the "Premium Rewards Certificates."

Individuals who brought the game to this newspaper's attention pointed out that most people would not see or realize that by making the phone call to claim their prize, \$19.99 was automatically added to their phone bill. In fact, by simply making the call the individual was making an irreversible decision to spend \$19.99 to participate in the scratch game.

They also pointed out that few people will read the fine print at the bottom of the card and understand how poor the odds are of winning anything except the Premium Rewards Certificates.

This last item, which according to the fine print, every player wins, is not, as some people may think, \$2000 in cash. Rather it is likely a number of coupons with a total face value of \$2000. However, to gain the "rewards" represented by the coupons, individuals would be required to make purchases for the items being offered.

There appears to be nothing illegal

about the scheme, however our readers are disturbed by the fact that the \$19.99 charge is not displayed more prominently on the game card and that most individuals would not realize they had been charged that amount until the next phone bill arrived. Also the total cash prize package amounts to only \$42,500 (according to the promoters, the TV is valued at \$2,500), plus the Premium Rewards Certificates, which, since they are coupons, have no value until additional funds are spent.

If all 3,500,000 individuals who received game cards responded, the promoters would stand to collect \$69,965,000.00 from the phone company (less a service charge). Not a bad return for \$42,500 in prizes and the cost of printing and distributing the tickets and the Premium Rewards Certificates.

Several readers have suggested that this is just the type of scheme which will catch seniors and others who may not read all the information on the card. They point out that when the "winners" realize that they have paid \$19.99 for their "prize", a bunch of coupons, most will not bother to complain and simply write off the \$19.99 as a loss. Hopefully some of them will realize it as an investment in wisdom for the next time a free game card arrives in the mail.

Health units battle over territory

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throughout the HKPR region.

Peterborough Health Unit serves the city and county of Peterborough while HKPR Health Unit serves the counties of Northumberland, Victoria and Haliburton.

The HKPR press release describes the meeting as a secret one to which neither the HKPR Medical Officer of Health Dr. Alan Hukowich or any board member was invited. "I am very disappointed by Peterborough's actions," Keith Tallman, Monmouth Reeve and Haliburton County representative on the Health Unit said in the press release. "For them to initiate discussions without our knowledge or involvement casts a very unfavourable light on the intentions of the Peterborough Health Unit."

The HKPR Health Unit obtained a copy of the proposal discussed at the

February 5 meeting. "The proposal contains a great number of inaccuracies. It has the ability to seriously undermine our ability to deliver quality public health services to the residents of our area," the medical officer of health, Dr. Hukowich said.

The Medical Officer's report also questions the suggestion that combining the two health units could result in a saving of \$2 million.

HKPR Health Unit board of directors has forwarded a report to the Wardens of the three counties outlining their concerns over the action by the Peterborough Health Unit. Dr. Hukowich has also requested an opportunity to address all three county councils to explain the threat posed by the Peterborough Health Unit's action. As well the board has sent copies to MPPs Chris Hodgson and Doug Galt to make them aware of the situation.



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Six join Hyland Crest's Wall of Fame

There are six new faces on Hyland Crest's "Wall of Fame".

The six residents were inducted during the festivities surrounding the Valentine's Day dinner. The six ladies were both honoured and surprised to find their visages will now adorn the walls of the Hyland Crest auditorium.

Bessie Burk, Alice Morrison, Lucile Clarke, Anne McKay, Muriel Harrison, Laura Upton and Joan Evans were the six who were recognized at the Valentine's Day dinner. The auditorium was packed with residents, friends and family. The residents arranged the dinner celebration themselves, as they chose the menu and made all of the decorations.

Among those honoured February 14 were:

Bessie Burk

Bessie Burk was born in Irondale, the oldest of nine children. Her father, Ted Peacock was the Warden of Haliburton County in 1953, and was also a resident of Hyland Crest in 1977. While working for Mrs. Levi Burk in Lochlin, Bessie met her husband Russell. The couple was married in 1930.

Bessie was known throughout the county for her excellent cooking. She worked at Bonnie View Inn, Birch Point Lodge, Hill's Store and Chinook Lodge. For eleven years, Bessie also worked at

Camp Wanakita, where she was famed for her butter tarts.

After retirement at age 65, Bessie cooked and delivered Meals on Wheels until age 75. She was also the UCW president for a time. In 1991 Bessie was named the Highlander of the Year and is very proud of the plaque that she received for her hard work.

Alice Morrison

Alice Morrison's voice is a familiar one to many Haliburton County residents, despite the fact that they may have never met. Alice was the Chief Telephone Operator at the Municipality of Dysart for 17 years until the company was bought out by Bell Telephone. Alice was born in Minden in 1918 and had three brothers and four sisters. She was married to Harold Morrison, who for many years was the superintendent at a mill in Eagle Lake.

Lucile Clarke

Lucile Clarke has always had a love for music. At one time, she worked in a music store and played the piano to entice customers. She also worked at Renfrew Electric in Toronto. Lucile was married in 1930 to Pat Clark, and had two children Patricia and John.

Music remained a part of her life as she taught piano lessons from her home. She also helped entertain residents at



Anne McKay with her Wall Of Fame photo in the background.

Hyland Crest by accompanying Grace Coburn during the Friday night sing along. Even now, at the age of 94, she continues to amuse the other residents with her talent.

Anne Mackay

Anne Mackay, nee Murray, was born in Bettyhill, Scotland in 1906, the youngest of four children. At the age of 20, Anne and one of her brothers made the move from rural Scotland to Toronto in 1926. Anne got a job as a cook with a wealthy family in Parkdale. In 1927 she met a young man from her home town, named Christopher Mackay and by 1928 they were married. The couple had two children, Alastair and Christine. In 1945 the family moved to Port Hope, where her husband managed a construction company.

Ever independent, Anne stayed in her home after Christopher's death, until the age of 86. Anne moved to Hyland Crest over a year ago where she enjoys the many activities available to residents.

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Victoria County road workers on strike

Road maintenance on 300 km of the 711 km of roads in Victoria County is not expected to be affected following a decision by CUPE county workers to go out on strike. According to a press release from Victoria County the employees went out on strike February 19 at 12:01 a.m.

The press release noted that the 300 km is already being maintained under separate contracts.

The walk-out affects 17 full time and one seasonal employee, members of CUPE Local 855-10 responsible for road maintenance including ploughing, sanding and salting.

County Warden John Macklem advised anyone using roads maintained by Victoria County that the level of service will be reduced on some roads and drivers should use extra caution.

The strike was called after what the county described as a marathon mediation session that lasted 18 hours. The employees are seeking a 17.25% increase over the term of the contract.

"I am extremely disappointed that after 13 bargaining sessions the union demands are significantly higher than the municipal settlement negotiated for quite some time," Victoria County Warden and Laxton Digby and Longford Reeve John Macklem stated. "I think county council will have to look long and hard at the future of the County Roads System and the options for service delivery," he concluded.

According to the county press release, truck drivers covered by the contract currently earn \$14.13 per hour with

a full benefit package.

Union spokesman Tom Thomson said the workers did not abandon the talks and that the county's final offer was not even presented. He said the union had been working with the municipality to reduce the impact of the increase. "We had agreed to a reduction in overtime, elimination of clothing allowances and other savings that amounted to 15%," Thomson said. "I felt we did our part."

He noted that a number of townships in Victoria County already pay their roads employees up to 15% more than what the county workers receive. He said the county workers would be satisfied to have parity with these fellow workers.

The union has been working without a contract since March 1997 when it started talks with the county's management board to achieve a new agreement. "We realize these are rough times all around, that is why we worked to find the 15% savings and are asking for this contract to be spread over a four year period," Thomson stated.

Commenting on the implied threat in the Warden's statement that the road work could be contracted out, Thomson said the union workers have been living with that possibility since the current provincial government was elected. "That has been hanging over our heads for some time," he said. "We are not afraid to get what is owing to us because of this threat."

There is no indication of when talks might resume.



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Picking on the gullible

Our first reaction when we picked up the game card with our mail at the post office, was to toss it in the garbage. Schemes like this appear in mail boxes a couple times a year. We know the game, though not illegal, is a bit of scam, pocketing \$19.99 from your phone bill and delivering, in most cases, very little value in return. (See the article elsewhere in today's newspaper for the details on how the scheme works and just how long the odds are at winning any of the cash prizes being offered.)

The company which distributes these cards is preying on the gullible in our community: those who don't understand that their phone call will automatically generate a \$19.99

payment to the distributor via their phone bill: or those motivated by greed who, upon calling the company, were told they had won the \$2,000 worth of "Premium Rewards Certificates". The scheme may not be illegal, however it is at best misleading and certainly the card is designed to catch the unwary and ill-informed.

What we find so frustrating about this scheme is that two institutions which most people would believe to be trustworthy, Canada Post and the phone system (in Ontario, Bell Canada) are parties to this. Both organizations provide the means by which this cards are distributed and the payments are returned. It should

be pointed out that both also derive an income from this activity, the post office in charging for the distribution, the phone company in collecting a fee for assigning the charge to the individual's phone bill.

Rather than railing against the company which cooked up this little scheme, the public should be complaining to Canada Post and Bell Canada, (and to the federal agencies which over-see their operations), demanding that standards be set which would make it impossible for such misleading schemes to use either institution to profit from those who can least afford it.

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Spending more on Canadian sports

Editor:

(An open letter to John O'Reilly:)

It is with great interest that I read John O'Reilly's Ottawa Report about money for sports.

Sheila Copps announced the feds will give out \$50 million more to sports in the next five years. This year Sport Canada, (is this the French way of saying Canadian Sports?), will let out \$48 million to support Canadian sport. If my math is right, John, you are boasting about spending \$58 million in athletic support this year alone. At the same time your Liberal government is battling to eliminate the cigarette companies from sponsoring sports.

The cigarette companies should be free to do business where they please and, if I do not smoke, I am not contributing to their revenue. You, however, represent the monopoly on force in this country that ought to be there to protect the citizens of this country from the initiation of force. When you stop private enterprise from sponsoring, then force me to pay the short fall through taxes, I find this a double insult. The fact that you brag about it shows that you have no understanding of freedom and rights.

As our dollar becomes the Hudson Bay

Peso because our government is legislating and taxing us to death you brag about what good you do with money stolen from us. Is it any wonder that Liberals hate guns and not criminals.

How many times have we heard, "Those that do not study history are bound to repeat it"? Before the fall of the Roman Empire, the starving and over-taxed people were given free circuses by their govern-

ment. The old USSR spent millions a year having the Moscow Circus travel the western world promoting peace and good will for the bloodiest butchers in modern history. I bet that our government will find a way to have these people buy the athletic support in the future. (P.S. There is a pun in there John.)

Jim Battarbee,
Minden.

Caring about Day Care

Editor:

It's amazing what can be accomplished when a community puts its mind to it.

Less than six months ago the news went out that CHACE Day Care was going to be shutting its doors. We needed money and we needed enrolment.

Well, during this short period of time, we have raised several thousand dollars and have enrolled new families. Our latest Bingo fund-raiser was new ground for most of us. Thanks to Minden Rotary, Lions and the Townships of Anson, Hindon and Minden for their donations of

equipment, space and manpower, enabling us to run a very successful Bingo. The obviously dedicated Bingo players as well as the inexperienced ones were a joy to be with during the afternoon.

Congratulations to all the winners on that day and another huge thank you to the volunteers and the service clubs.

And finally, thank you to the people of Haliburton County. You have proven once again the many benefits of being a part of a small but caring and aware community.

Wendy Sisson,
Supervisor, CHACE Day Care.

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Budget cuts undermine hospitals

(From a press release distributed February 17 by the Ontario Hospital Association (OHA).)

Increases in hospital operating costs and rising service demands will mean a "flat-line" budget allocation for hospitals would translate into a further 4.5% cut to the system--resulting in further erosions in service levels, warns the Ontario Hospital Association.

"Since 1992, Ontario hospitals have experienced a cumulative reduction in funding of nearly \$1.8 billion," said OHA President David MacKinnon. "But these savings have been realized at a very high price in terms of public confidence and the stresses and strains that are showing up throughout the system."

MacKinnon made these comments today during the OHA's pre-budget submission to the Ontario Legislature's Standing Committee on Finance and Economic Affairs.

MacKinnon noted that the government itself recognized the need for stabilization when, in its budget of last May, it deferred a planned third year of cuts of a further 7% (\$507 million)--to hospital budgets for 1998-99 and provided for \$2 billion in funding to help cover the costs associated with restructuring. The cut for 1998-99 would have

come on top of the 5% (\$365 million) reduction that was taken out of hospital budgets in 1996-97, and a further 6% (\$435 million) for 1997-98.

MacKinnon urged the government to build on its actions of last May by taking further steps to reverse the worsening financial situation that hospitals were coping with during the most intense period of change in the system's history. A study issued last September by the University of Western Ontario's Ivey School of Business identified lack of funding as a key factor in the success or failure of hospital change efforts.

"There is little doubt that the financial situation for hospitals is worsening," MacKinnon said. He noted that preliminary analysis of available hospital audited financial statements for 1996-97 showed a consolidated deficit of \$112.8 million. This represents a 60% increase over a consolidated deficit of \$70.3 million for 1995-96.

MacKinnon stressed that problems relating to hospital budgets, overcrowded emergency rooms, long waiting lists, and other issues covered in the news are in fact symptoms of a far deeper problem--the willingness of governments to pursue health policies not rooted in evidence or fact. As a

prime example of this he cited the transfer of care and funding from the institutional sector to the so-called "community" sector--even though the evidence was lacking to support this shift as more cost effective or as desired by consumers. "A more appropriate course of action would be for the governments to recognize the enhanced role that hospitals can play in the integrating of health services for people across the province," he said. "They have the managerial infrastructure. They are guided at the board level by very capable people from all parts of the community. And they have behind them the skills, expertise and know-how of health care professionals."

"Rather than weakening the position of Hospitals in order to support non-evidence based transfers of their functions and services elsewhere, legislators should recognize that hospitals are among Ontario's most valued institutions, institutions which have the capacity to lead change in our health care system," he said.

"Short-term funding fixes and the patience of consumers and front-line staff have shielded us from the effects of this problem for a very long time. But sooner or later, the dam bursts....It is now time to stabilize the system."

Taking the sting out of February

*April is the cruelest month,
breeding Lilacs out of the dead land,
mixing Memory and desire....*

The Wasteland

T. S. Eliot wrote that, and for my money, T.S. Eliot was all wet. April isn't the cruellest month. The wettest month maybe, but not the cruellest.

That honour goes to the one-twelfth of the calendar Canucks are currently slogging through: February. Now there's a cruel month for you.

February: the Waiting-For-Godot Month. The As-Bad-As-It-Gets Month. The merry roisterings of Christmas and New Years are but a distant memory, a thousand shovelful of snow behind us. And what's to look forward to? Spring. Sometime. Eventually. We hope.

Which is what makes St. Valentine's Day so important for our mental health. St. Valentine's — February 14th — 24 hours of frivolity in a vast sea of slush and frost and frozen car batteries.

Herewith two tales of love, one bitter, one sweet, to get you over the hump from Yule to Spring:

The grim one first. It concerns a sprightly, five-foot-two harbinger of love by the name of Tracey Lyn Sargent. I haven't met Tracey, but I have it on good authority that she is a 'stunning' blonde, elfin and captivating, more than capable of snatching the average man's heart and playing a brisk game of Ping-Pong with it.

She certainly did that last year with four Toronto businessmen, from each of whom the whimsical Ms. Sargent managed to extract tens of thousands of dollars. These guys were all successful, savvy business men, looking for a little romantic 'action on the side'. They called up a Toronto Escort Service, were introduced to Tracey Lyn Sargent and got taken to the cleaners.

Well, they certainly had their bank accounts vacuum-cleaned courtesy of Tracey.

The men weren't dummies. One was a doctor, another was a crown attorney. The other two were self-made businessmen. Hard nosed guys, one would think, and yet a petite blonde who weighed maybe ninety-eight pounds soaking wet, had these guys falling all over themselves in their rush to give her their money. Tracey didn't use a gun. Or threats. Or blackmail.

All she used was a pair of lethal baby-blues.

As one of the guys summed it up later: "Love is stupid."

Well, maybe. But there is the story of Bill Gottlieb. Bill wanted to propose to his sweetie, Emily, in the worst way.

Actually, make that in the 'words' way. Emily is a crosswords puzzle freak. She never misses The New York Times brainbuster. She does it even when she's with Bill at lunch. She was puzzling her way through the January 7th edition over brunch with Bill at a restaurant.

The theme of the puzzle was A Modest Proposal.

But it was a weird puzzle, even by New York Times standards. For one thing, Emily found her name in one of the answers. Then she found Bill's first name in another. Scooting down to 38 across, she read the clue: 1965 Gary Lewis and the Playboys Hit was the clue.

That was easy. Emily filled in This Diamond Ring.

Then she got to the clue for 56 Across. It read 1992 Paula Abdul hit.

Well, Emily knew that had to be Will You Marry Me?

Her name. Bill's name. A Modest Proposal. A wedding proposal. All these matrimonial clues....Emily scrunched up her nose the way Bill loved as she looked across at him munching on a bagel. "Bill," she said, with a sense of bafflement, "this puzzle...."

And Bill just took her hand — the one with the ball point pen in it, looked at her and said "Will you marry me?"

That's when Emily realized that this guy had gone to the trouble of getting the Crosswords Puzzle editor of The New York Times to let him propose marriage to her — in a crossword puzzle.

Not surprisingly, her response was the same as the answer to 57 Down: a three-letter word indicating agreement.

Love is....what's a six-letter word for love?

'Stupid' would fit, for sure.
But so would 'lovely'.

Etcetera

Arthur Black

Hyland Crest Wall of Fame

(from page 5)

Muriel Harrison

In 1907, Muriel Harrison was born, on the Queen's Line, north of Minden. Muriel became a school teacher in 1930, as her mother and sisters had done before her. She began teaching grades one through three in West Guilford. Eventually she went on to teach at the Minden Public School.

Muriel was married in 1934 to Ross Harrison. After their marriage, they moved to Sudbury for 17 years. The Harrison's son Tom was born in 1946.

In 1951 the family returned to Haliburton County where they ran Carnarvon Lumber.

Muriel has always been involved in community activities such as teaching Sunday School at Carnarvon Zion United Church. She was also UCW president for a time.

Laura Upton

Laura Paull was born in West Guilford in 1909 to parents William and Lydia Paull. Laura also had three brothers and two sisters, two of whom are

still with her today. Her sister Alice has recently become a resident of Hyland Crest.

In 1928 Laura married Harold Upton. The couple had five sons and four daughters. Harold Upton passed away in 1974. The Upton clan has increased in number over the years and today Laura also has 20 grandchildren and 27 great grandchildren.

Joan Evans

Joan Handley was born in 1918 in Kempston, England, where her parents owned a farm. She loved growing up in the English countryside. Joan met her

husband Philip at a tennis club near her home. After moving to Clacton-on-Sea, Joan and Philip had three children, Michael, Carolyn and Stuart.

In 1955, the family relocated to Toronto, where Joan worked as an executive secretary at de Havilland Inc. Aircraft and SPAR Aerospace. Joan was widowed in 1966 and remarried in 1973 to Eddie Evans. The family moved to Sturgeon Lake near Fenelon Falls. Joan enjoys living at Hyland Crest and likes participating in many of the residence activities.

(Over the next few weeks we will feature additional Wall of Fame photos.)

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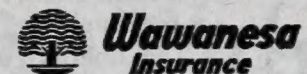
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Midgets rebound to tie series with Woodville

by Jerry Grozelle

Lackluster performances in the first two games against Woodville left Minden hockey fans wondering if the Midget OMHA Monarchs were bound for an early exit in the All-Ontario quarterfinals.

The Monarchs led the opener in Woodville on February 14 by a 2-0 score with just over 10 minutes left in the third period. But Woodville scored four times before the game ended to grab a 4-2 win.

Jason Horsley and Cam Neville were the Minden snipers, with Dan Vanderlip, Ryan Anderson, Steve Ecclestone and Wayne Kernohan each picking up an assist.

Game two, back in Minden the next night saw Woodville take a 2-0 series lead with a 6-4 win. Minden started to close the gap in the third period, but fell short.

Ecclestone, Neville, Anderson and Colin Mackenzie scored the Minden markers. Mike Hamilton and Neville earned two assists each, with singles going to Anderson and Ecclestone.

Facing elimination, the Monarchs came to life in Woodville for game three. Neville set the pace, scoring four goals as the Monarchs skated to an 8-2 victory. Ecclestone, Anderson, Vanderlip and Horsley added a goal each to the winning tally. Ecclestone picked up a pair of assists and singles went to Vanderlip, Rod Upton and Neville.

The fourth game of the series was played Friday night in Minden. The Monarchs made it clear from the start that they have their sights set on the semifinals.

Minden opened up a 2-0 lead in the first period before Woodville got a reply. Anderson notched the first just 58 seconds after the opening faceoff, unassisted. Hamilton made it 2-0 at the 4:10 mark, from Ecclestone and Vanderlip.

Woodville scored at the 6:16 mark.

A second goal by Anderson at 9:09 of the first was scored while the Monarchs were shorthanded. His blast from 25 feet out caught nothing but net. Philip Daniels assisted. A minute and four seconds later, a wrist shot by Wayne Kernohan beat the Woodville goalie cleanly. Ecclestone and Shawn Casey assisted.

Woodville closed the gap to 4-2 at the 54 second mark of the second frame. A minute after that, Neville one-timed one into the Woodville net for a 5-2 Minden lead. Casey and Kernohan set that one up.

Ecclestone pounded home the rebound of a Neville

shot with 5:35 left in the third period, padding the Minden lead to 6-2. Daniels also assisted on that one.

The visitors scored one more with 3:09 remaining, but that was as close as they would get.

The deciding game is in Woodville tonight.



INTO THE MESH: Cam Neville's shot finds the mark during the second period of Friday's game.

Atom A Monarchs sweep Ops in two straight

The Minden OMHA Atom hockey team is waiting to see who its opponent will be in the next playoff round after eliminating Ops in two straight.

The Monarchs downed Ops 4-1 on Minden ice February 15 and finished the series in the Ops arena the following night, by the same score.

The two teams were even at 1-1 after the first period in Minden. Kolt Smith notched the Minden goal from Sean Keaney and Mark Fisher.

Smith's second goal, in the second period, from Fisher, made it 2-1.

The Smith, Keaney and Fisher line struck again in the third, with Smith rounding out his hat trick. Fisher

scored the fourth Minden goal, from Smith and Keaney.

Minden built up a 4-0 lead at Ops the next night. Keaney netted the only goal of the first period, from Fisher. Andrew Bull notched what proved to be the game winner midway through the second. Evan Kernohan and Darrin Brown assisted. Fisher made it 3-0 half a minute later, from Smith and Smith scored with 1:40 left in the period, from Kernohan and Fisher.

Ops' lone goal in the third spoiled Ryan Cole's shutout bid between the Minden pipes.

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Novice C Monarchs win five consecutive games

-submitted-

The third, and final, stretch of the 1997-98 Tri-County hockey season is under way and the Minden Novice C Monarchs hold a 5 and 0 handle before stepping into the playoffs. The top two teams will meet in a winner-take-all, best-of five series.

Minden 3, Fenelon 0

The Monarchs played host to the Fenelon Falls Flyers on February 8. The result was a 3-0 victory for Minden.

Minden got on the scoreboard early in the first period. Brady Hicks recorded his first goal, converting on a nicely fed pass up through the neutral zone from Matt Eno. With one man to beat, Hicks slid the backhand past the Flyers' netminder.

The second period was scoreless, but not without lots of action. The Minden defensive unit of Steve Kerr, Colin Callaghan, John Murray and Derek Carpenter, played a strong game in the corners and stuck to the opponents in the slot. JD Crowe faced few shots and came up with the saves when he was tested.

Minden's forwards carried the puck into the offensive zone well in the third. Left winger Matt Eno forced the Fenelon defence to cough up the puck. He quickly shovelled it out into the slot, where Hicks was waiting to flick it past the Flyers' goalie, giving Minden a 2-0 lead early in the third. Moments later, Eno netted a nice backhand, assisted by the persistent defensive team of John Murray and Derek Carpenter. Carpenter moved from his faceoff-winning position at centre to become an aggressive and talented defenceman.

Minden 8, Sunderland 5

The following evening, the Monarchs packed up for a road trip to Sunderland.

The host team notched a goal at the 2:43 mark of the first period. Minden goaltender JD Crowe had little help as the Minden forwards seemed lethargic and the defencemen were not covering their opponents in front of the net.

A blast from the bench seemed to wake the Minden team up. Brady Hicks scored for the Monarchs a minute and 15

seconds later on a pass from inside the blue line by right winger Steve Kerr.

For about three minutes, late in the first period, the Monarchs abandoned positional play, bunching up and chasing the puck. The result was three quick goals for the Sunderland Redwings and the Monarchs faced a 4-1 deficit.

Thirty-nine seconds into the second period, Hicks fed a lead pass to Eno, who stick-handled around the Sunderland defence and scored his first of three.

Three minutes later, Carpenter stoned a Sunderland rush. He flicked the puck out to the neutral zone, right onto the stick of centreman Derek Nesbitt, who made the move around one defenceman. But with nowhere to go from there, he spotted Eno in the open and delivered the pass to his teammate. Eno fired a quick wrist shot into the open side of the net, catching the goalie going the other way.

The Monarchs appeared to have come back to life after the slow start and the coaches found themselves encouraging the team to step it up another notch.

Brady Hicks answered the challenge with an unassisted goal, his second of four for the night.

With just eight skaters, the Minden team should have been exhausted. But the long, hard-fought shifts seemed to make them play better. At 1:08 of the third period, Kerr made a pass out from the corner to Eno, who netted his hat trick goal. A minute and a half later, Hicks notched his third of the game, from Zack Pierson, who never gives up.

Sunderland scored on a long shot from just inside the Minden blue line. Crowe was screened on the play and had no chance to make the save.

With just over four minutes left in the game, Hicks scored his fourth marker of the game, unassisted. Twenty seconds later, John Murray cleared the pass ahead to Hicks, who, in turn, fed it to Derek Nesbitt. The shot was good and the Monarchs had rebounded for an 8-5 victory.

Minden 2, Cannington 1

Friday, the 13th of February saw a confident Minden team in Cannington for a fast paced game against the Kings.

Although the first period was score-

less, it wasn't because there weren't many scoring opportunities. Minden goalie Jacob Crowe made five consecutive saves, most of them with his lightning quick glove hand.

Playing good positional hockey, the Monarchs were rewarded with the first goal of the game at the 3:08 mark of the middle period. Tanner Graham was the sniper, from Nesbitt and Pierson.

Four minutes later, Hicks gave Minden a two-goal margin, with assists going to Eno and Carpenter.

Cannington closed the gap to 2-1 just over a minute into the third. Late in the period, with Cannington pressing, Minden called a time out. When play resumed, the Cannington net was empty and the Kings had an extra attacker. Minden won the faceoff and escorted the puck out of harm's way. The Monarchs kept the puck in the Cannington end for the final few seconds to hold on for the 2-1 win.

Minden 5, Ops 2

Valentine's Day found the Monarchs in yet another arena. This time it was Ops, and once again, the host team got on the board first, midway through the opening frame.

A minute later, Nesbitt notched the equalizer, from Tanner Graham and Derek Carpenter. The Monarchs quickly found themselves trailing again when Ops scored 18 seconds after the ensuing faceoff.

It took the Monarchs a minute and a half to regain even footing when Kerr scored. Hicks and Eno assisted.

Nesbitt scored the tie-breaker with

three minutes left in the second period. Pierson and Eno assisted.

Before the game ended, Eno tipped in a shot by Kerr. Hicks also picked up an assist. Hicks added insult to injury with an Eno assisted marker with 2:12 left, for the 5-2 win.

Minden 4, Cannington 0

JD Crowe earned his second shutout in five games when the Monarchs played host to Cannington. The Monarchs scored two goals in the first period and added two more in the third for a 4-0 victory.

Hicks opened the scoring at 3:33 of the first, from Eno. Two minutes later, Eno's wrist shot, a foot off the ice, beat the Kings' netminder for a 2-0 lead. That goal was unassisted.

The Minden defence frustrated Cannington throughout the second period, with Colin Callaghan and Carpenter allowing the opposition to get just two shots on Crowe.

Minden had several scoring chances, but failed to click in the second. Tanner Graham didn't have enough wood on his shot as the puck slid by the open corner. Pierson had three good chances, two of which saw the puck deflect off skate blades in front of the net.

A long shot by Nesbitt in the third period fooled the Cannington goalie. Carpenter assisted. Then, Hicks rounded out the scoring with an unassisted goal after zig-zagging back and forth across the ice three times and putting the puck into the net as he was knocked off balance.

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Minden bowlers enjoy 'a night at the races' in Lindsay

by Eleanor Lymer

Saturday, February 14, was a big night for the Minden Bowling Stables. Bowling teams from the Lindsay, Fenelon Falls, Peterborough and Minden areas joined in the 1998 1000 Lakes Night at the Races in Lindsay.

Nine stables entered teams of eight horses/bowlers. The spectators could bet on any number of horses in each race to either "win" or "place." After the nine races, all the first place horses were entered in the Race of Champions to determine the Grand Champion.

Kawartha High School Hockey league playoffs

After eliminating Wildcats, Redmen fall behind Mustangs

The first round of playoffs was a short one for the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Redmen hockey team. The Weldon Wildcats were forced to forfeit the opening game because they were unable to ice a team.

The Wildcats were able to put a team together for the second game, which was played in Lindsay on February 17. Weldon didn't make it easy for the Redmen, but the Haliburton squad earned a 4-3 win to eliminate the Wildcats.

The only goal of the first period in Lindsay went up on the home side of the scoreboard.

Mike Morissette evened the score at the 2:14 mark of the second period, from Steve Ecclestone and Chris Moynes. Two and a half minutes later, Dave Clark put the Redmen in front for the first time in the game. Jarrett Rowden and Matt Burk assisted. A minute after that, Weldon scored to tie it up. The remainder of the middle frame was scoreless, sending the two teams into the third deadlocked at 2-2.

A pair of quick goals by Haliburton forward Chris Moynes proved the undoing of the Weldon team. Moynes put the Redmen in front 3-2 at the 6:36 mark.

Race #1, the Mixed Team, was composed of highly qualified thoroughbreds chosen from the 1000 Lakes Zone. "Jugs" (Scott Moore) crossed the wire with a photo finish for second. A race-off determined that "Jugs" was the second place winner. "Slim" (Cathy Snell) did not perform up to her potential in this race, but is expected to come through in the big race in Hamilton at Easter.

Minden County Bowling Centre "Horse With No Name Stables" entered the following eight horses in Race #8:

"Silver Fox" (Ray Lymer), "Yabba

Dabba Darby" (Gord Darby), "Stormy Weather" (Michelle Moore), "Moe" (Maurice Boyd), "Velvet Vixen" (Eleanor Lymer), "Doe" (Dorothy Boyd), "Bashful Bethany" (Sheila Woodcroft) and "Quite Contrary" (Mary McCutcheon). "Hurricane Harry" (Harry Bolton) replaced "Silver Fox" (Ray Lymer), who came up lame and was scratched at the last minute.

In the eighth race, the horses from Minden were neck and neck for the first half of the ten laps/frames. Velvet Vixen faded early in the second half, followed next by Moe and Stormy Weather. Quite Contrary, Yabba Dabba Darby and Hurricane Harry struggled unsuccessfully to keep up with the front runners, Doe and Bashful Bethany. At the final wire, Doe pulled ahead and just edged out Bashful Bethany to take the win.

While trainer, Maurice Boyd, groomed his frisky filly for the last race, he predicted that Doe was in fine fettle and could very easily be the winner. She was definitely the dark horse in this field of highly skilled thoroughbreds but was champing at the bit for the Race of Champions to begin.

The crowd went wild as Doe immediately racked up three strikes and pulled into the lead over the other eight horses in the field. As they rounded the last corner, Doe was still in the

lead and had her fans shrieking with delight. Doe literally danced across the finish line several lengths ahead of all the other competitors, with an unprecedented total of 327 points.

Minden Stables is ecstatic and has already made plans to enter "Grand Champion Doe" Dorothy Boyd in the 1999-1000 Lakes Night at the Races. It is yet to be decided if the rest of the 1998 team will be up to the challenge.

A great time was had by all the horses, trainers and spectators in Lindsay on Valentine's Day.



Dorothy "Doe" Boyd was the big winner in the Eighth Race at Bowlaway Lanes in Lindsay on Valentine's Day.

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Nordic Notes: Personal best times set

by Blake Paton

Welcome to all OFSAA Nordic 1998 coaches and competitors. The members of the Haliburton Ski Club have worked tirelessly to make sure that the trails and facilities you use are in the best condition possible. We hope you meet all your goals for the competition.

A number of ski club members attended the "Big One" on the weekend of the 14th and 15th, the Keskinada Loppet in Ottawa. This year's edition featured fast snow and a shortened course (42km) due to snow and ice-storm conditions.

Personal bests were inevitable, so congratulations to Bob, Jane and Ainsley Heyes, Marcel Crete, Mike Darlington and Jennifer Paton. Jane finished third in her category in the Women's 20km free technique event.

This week's tip was picked up at the Keskinada. Toe rubbers (you know, those shoe condoms that protect your grandfather's dress shoes from winter weather) are great for protecting your ski boots soles and giving traction on slippery surfaces. Use them to extend the life of your boots and to prevent graceless falls while walking about.

Another great, friendly event is the Moosewoods Loppet at the Moosewoods trail centre on the first of March. This race is fun and friendly because of the easy terrain at Moosewoods, but last year's competition was

strong, too. The post-race snacks are also the best I've run across.

Haliburton Ski Club members should also pencil in some time on the afternoon of March 7 to attend the Annual General Meeting of the club at the clubhouse in Glebe Park. This will be a pot-luck affair that is to be preceded by skiing. Watch for details in next week's column.

The skiing at the Olympics has been superb, and it has been a great advertisement for the sport. I know many non-skiers were impressed by the intensity of the athletes, and the relays provided some of the best entertainment of the games. I did hear, however a great chorus of cursing when the women's relay was interrupted one morning in order to make way for more ice dancing, of all things. With all the great skiing being shown on television during the Olympics, many wonder what happened to the Canadian skiers, who seemed to disappear behind even the Americans in the relay events.

Word has it that illness affected some performances, but even that cannot explain the overall poor performance of the team this season (Beckie Scott's good results excluded). Most agree that the sport simply has not a high enough profile in Canada to attract determined athletes with potential. We hope that the OFSAA competitions here are a step on the road to better things for Canada's ski team.

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Fred Cox earns CBC Championship berth

by Maurice Boyd

The Provincial 5 Pin Team Tournament League rounds were held from January 12 to February 15 at the County Bowling Centre. Thirty-six teams were entered for the chance to advance to the House Round, which is being held at the Centre on March 15.

The following 16 teams will compete on that date.

Finishing first in their respective leagues are the Six Pack, Tom Cats, Cha Ching, Dirty 1/2 Dozen, Spoil Sports and the Party of Five. Runners-up in each league were Oh Al, Noel, Young & Restless, Things, Misfits, Back Breakers, Fred's Follies, Geritol Plus, Beer Frame and the Odd Balls.

For the first time, two of these teams will advance to the Provincial finals on April 19. The County Bowl 5 Pin Bowlers' Association wishes each and every bowler the best of luck as they advance.

Eight members of the County Bowl 5 Pin Bowlers' Association took part in the House Round of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's Championship 5 Pin Bowling TV series. The following bowlers battled for the one position that moves on to the next round: Eric Burk, Fred Cox, Addie Dykstra, Norm Goldenberg, Alex Little, Bryan Rivard, Dan Rivard and Walter Stegmaier. These competitors had to bowl 10 games, with flat scores counting. At the end of five games, Dan Rivard was leading, Bryan Rivard was second and Addie Dykstra was third. To that point, Dan had bowled the best game, scoring a 311.

When the 10 games were completed, Fred Cox was the winner, with a total pinfall of 2264 and one game of 312. Dan Rivard placed second, with a total pinfall of 2096 and a best game of 311. Alex Little was a close third with 2086 and a high single game of 253.

Fred Cox will move on to the next round. The time and place is yet to be determined, but it will be between March 21 and April 26.

These eight gentlemen put on a great display of their bowling skills and they all deserve congratulations from the County Bowl 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.

Thursday Night Mixed League

(February 12)

High average: Walter Stegmaier 213; Joan Rivard 185

High single: Walter Stegmaier 267; Gwen Bryant 244

High single (handicap): Walter Stegmaier 277; Gwen Bryant 302

High triple: Walter Stegmaier 656; Joan Rivard 644

High triple (handicap): Dan Rivard 711; Gwen Bryant 756

Legion 636 Mixed League

High average: Eric Stearns 185; Leitha Kuchalema 163

High single: Eric Stearns 254; Leitha Kuchalema 198

High single (handicap): Eric Stearns 288; Judy Kent 261

High triple: Eric Stearns 686; Bea James 516

High triple (handicap): Eric Stearns 788; Bea James 684

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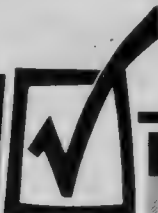
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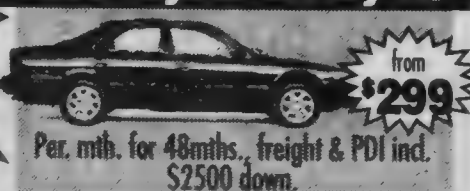
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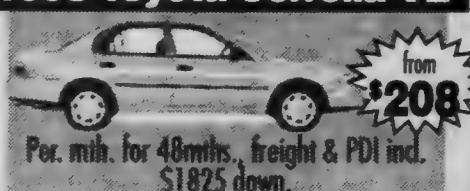
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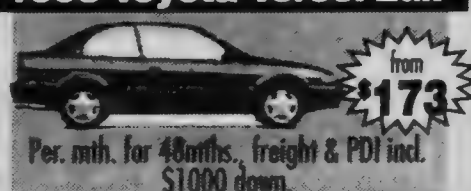
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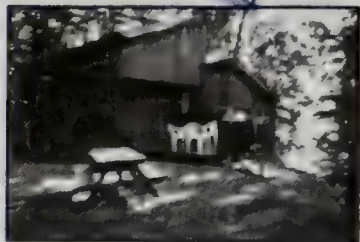
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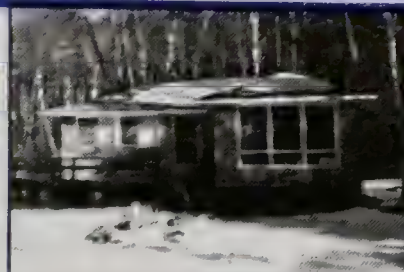
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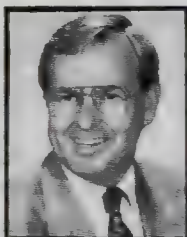
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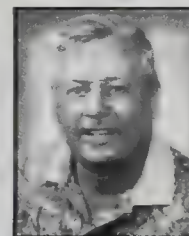
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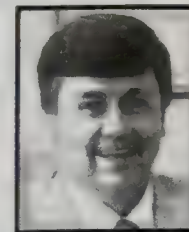
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Wayne Beer rolls 285 single

(from page 12)

Monday Night Mixed League

High average: Scott Moore 232; Michelle Moore 198
High single: Walt Stegmaier 285; Teresa Clement 187
High single (handicap): Walt Stegmaier 303; Marlene Bellar 252
High triple: Scott Moore 667; Teresa Clement 484
High triple (handicap): Walt Stegmaier 679; Anita Marshall 689

Tuesday Seniors Mixed League

High average: Bob Bullen 190; Eleanor Young 175
High single: Bob Bullen 206; Jo Newton 202
High single (handicap): Dalton Flatt 259; Jo Newton 252
High triple: Bob Bullen 508; Jo Newton 524
High triple (handicap): Bob Bullen 536; Jo Newton 574

Tuesday Night Mixed League

High average: Fred Cox 215; Cathy Snell 219
High single: Al Eskelin 273; Cathy Snell 280

High single (handicap): Carl Packard 286; Rawn Brown 289
High triple: Al Eskelin 673; Cathy Snell 689
High triple (handicap): Al Eskelin 709; Rawn Brown 719

Wednesday Night Men's League

High average: Scott Moore 235
High single: Len Punt Sr. 280
High single (handicap): John Whitty and Walt Stegmaier 286
High triple: Gord Darby 666
High triple (handicap): Matt Harding 722

Thursday Afternoon Seniors League

High average: Jerry Warren 200; Caroline Beer 173
High single: Wayne Beer 285; Dorothy Boyd 226
High single (handicap): Wayne Beer 331; Ivy Bolton 292
High triple: Wayne Beer 729; Dorothy Boyd 584
High triple (handicap): Wayne Beer 867; Dorothy Boyd 740

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High single: Trevor Clement 274; Elizabeth Goldenberg 161
High triple: Trevor Clement 587; Elizabeth Goldenberg 389

Correction

Registration for the Minden Minor Softball Association leagues will be held at Archie Stouffer Elementary School on March 11 and 26 from 7 to 9 p.m. both days. Contact Grant Shaw at 286-4240 or Maggie Stromberg at 286-6826 for further information.

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Straw and Stone**Last mixed bonspiel of the season coming up**

by Sandy Cole

Spectators and participants alike had an exciting time this past weekend at the annual men's Rockbuster bonspiel. Congratulations to all on a very successful event. Results of the OLCA Intermediate Zone Playdowns saw Lakefield's Linda Parcels rink win the A flight competition and Beaverton's Linda Connelly rink win the B flight competition. Host Pat Woodcroft said this was a great event, with all games so close they were decided in the last end or in extra ends. All the best to these teams as they continue on to the regionals.

It is time to get your teams signed up for the mixed Straw and Stone bonspiel to be held Friday, March 6 and Saturday, March 7. Don't be left out of the last mixed spiel of the season. This event is always a lot of fun with, good competition, teams in costume and great prizes. Everyone is welcome to stop by the club and watch this entertaining event.

Attention junior curlers and parents. Please let Zelda Cooper know who will be attending the end of season junior bonspiel on Sunday March 15. This will be an all day 'spiel and is the last of junior curling for this season.

Coming up on March 27 and 28 is the ladies sweep into spring spiel. This is the last spiel of the season and is always a really good time. You can sign up for all events at the club.

League play for the week of February 9 to 13.

Monday Night Ladies

Sharon Kernohan 11, M.J. Irwin 4
Carol Puffer 13, Melanie Vigrass 7

Kim Wood 9, Pat Campbell 2

Tuesday Night Mens

Mark Lund 8, Jim Garbutt 5
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Bob Pollard 9, Dan Garbutt 5
Ross Wray 4, Dave McAdam 4

Thursday Night Mixed

George Hewitt 7, Ian Cavanagh 4
Ross Davies 13, Bob Pollard 2
Alf Trotter 15, Nick Comeau 5
Cheryl Murdoch 6, Ted Wilkes 5

Friday Night Mixed

Jim Garbutt 12, Pat Campbell 10
Brian Cross 8, Mark Lund 3
Cheryl Murdoch 8, Nick Comeau 4

Paul Prentice 8, Zelda Cooper 6

Mighty C Monarchs earn 3-1 win over Ops

The 1997-98 hockey season has been a learning experience for the Minden Mighty C Monarchs. They learned that persistence, dedication and hard work eventually pay off. On February 15, they also learned that revenge is sweet.

Giving up a 3-2 decision to Ops earlier this season, the Monarchs were looking to avenge the loss when Ops visited Minden for a rematch.

With Paddy Manuge between the pipes, The Mighty C squad was ready for some tough competition. The Mon-

archs were rewarded for their efforts with a 3-1 victory.

The game was just two minutes and 23 seconds old when Jared Mills opened the scoring for the Monarchs. The great passing job done by Dean Hutchison and Robby Hicks earned them each an assist on the goal.

The Minden lead lasted for the rest of the first period and all but 18 seconds of the second. Ops tied the score with 18 seconds showing on the clock, sending the two teams into the third deadlocked at 1-1.

That late second-period Ops goal would be the only time the visitors would slip the puck past Manuge.

Less than two minutes into the final frame, Mills netted his second of the game, giving Minden a 2-1 lead. Hicks picked up his second assist and Jason Chapman contributed to the winning goal with an assist. With 2:44 remaining, Mills scored again, rounding out his hat trick. Michael Callaghan and Ashton Haley assisted on the insurance marker.

Alex Cray and Ryan Kerr created several scoring chances for the Monarchs with their hard work, especially digging in the corners.

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James Cahill of Bernard Cahill Furs in Peterborough is flanked by four local models. The fur-clad beauties, left to right, are: Jamie Read, Leslie Austen, Amy Davidson and Jennifer Browning.



Fur harvesters demonstrate skills and final product at workshop

The recent Minden District Fur Harvesters Workshop and Fun Day was a "great success" according to organizer Brian Austen.

The event included a fur fashion show, sponsored by Bernard Cahill Furs in Peterborough, contests and several displays.

Trappers were awarded prizes for their skills at fur preparation. Categories and their winners are as follows:

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Best bundle - three species: First, John Rayner of Barry's Bay; second, Brian Austen of Minden; third, Mike Pecarskie of Barry's Bay.

Beaver: First, Mike Pecarskie; second, Nellie Rayner of Barry's Bay.

Fox: First, Mike Pecarskie; second, Nellie Rayner.

Martin: First, Mike Pecarskie; second, Nellie Rayner.

Raccoon: First, Mike Pecarskie; second, Phil Tamlin of Cambray.

Mink: First, John Rayner; second, Mike Pecarskie.

Wolf: First, Phil Tamlin; second, Mike Pecarskie.

Fisher: First, Mike Pecarskie; second John Rayner.

Otter: First, Mike Pecarskie.

Fur done at the workshop

Beaver: First, Nellie Rayner; second, Mike Pecarskie;

third, Phil Tamlin.

Raccoon: First, Kevin Cole of Lindsay; second Phil Tamlin.

Muskrat: First, Ted Nottage of Wilberforce.

Fisher: First, Terry Cowan of Haliburton; second, Peter Fitzgerald of Kirkfield.

Martin: First, Terry Cowan; second Brian Austen.

Winners of other contests

Guess the weight of the beaver - Dean Junkin.

Guess the number of pennies - Ryan Tamlin.

Trapper door prize - Brian Austen.

Ice auger draw - Brian Austen.

Minden and District Fur Harvesters President Brian Austen expressed his appreciation to the many sponsors who contributed door prizes; to those who set up displays for the event; to Bernard Cahill Furs for presenting the fur fashion show; and to Bill Kulas for donating the prize for the main draw.



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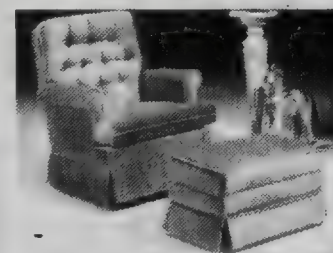
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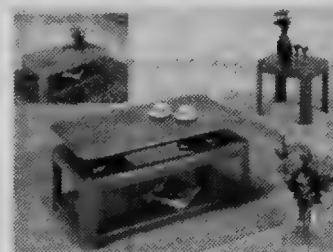
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FIRST PLACE: Top honours in the Northern Tour Bonspiel at the Minden Curling Club on February 10 went to the Haliburton rink skipped by Don Cameron (right). His team included, left to right, Chester House, Bruce Moffatt and Morley Timbers.



SECOND PLACE: The Haliburton rink skipped by Ed Pickard (right) captured second place in the Northern Tour Bonspiel. Pickard's team included, left to right, Murray Norman, Don Avison and Vic Ibbotson.

Haliburton rinks 1st and 2nd in Northern Tour Bonspiel

by Bill Milford

It was a bright, warm, sunny day on Tuesday, February 10, and at the Minden Curling Club the rocks were turning, the brushes were cleaning, and the curlers were sliding, as it was Minden's turn to host the Northern Tour Bonspiel. This is a senior men's 'spiel that completes one rotation per curling season through the four clubs of Bobcaygeon, Fenelon Falls, Haliburton, and Minden, each club being represented by two rinks.

As great as the action was on the ice, it was again quite apparent that ice is not a prerequisite for this winter sport. Behind the viewing glass, this truism was aptly demonstrated by a majority of the spectators, each of whom had miraculously become perfect skips for the day, as they pursued their physically passive, but vocally intensive observation of how each shot on the ice should have been called and executed. The off-

ice teams were having as much fun as the on-ice teams, and that is what this day was all about -- fun and sociability.

An added off-ice feature were the tantalizing aromas permeating the lounge area from within the confines of the kitchen, which was being so ably "manned" by Doreen Spencley and her support staff of Winn Taylor, Edith Burch and Marilyn Burrows.

Thanks, girls, for the delicious lunch, and all your work that went into it.

The results of the real 'spiel were dominated (?) by the two rinks from Haliburton, skipped by Don Cameron (first place), and Ed Pickard (second place). Fenelon Falls' Ben Jowitt's rink captured third place by a narrow one half point margin over Minden's rink, skipped by Jim Burton.

After the prizes were awarded, the day ended on a high note of camaraderie and sociability, the whole purpose of this bonspiel.

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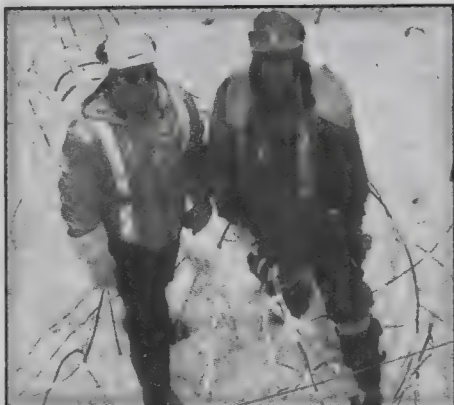
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Linemen from the Minden office of Ontario Hydro were among many individuals who responded to the call for help during last month's ice storm in eastern Ontario. The devastation they encountered was almost beyond belief. The crews spent most of their time in the Vankleek Hill area working with military personnel, clearing power line rights of way and re-stringing cables. Dave Brown and Dan Rivard, below, brought back these photos of the destruction they encountered. At the right, Ross Bryant works from a bucket to clear the ice-coated branches glistening in the sunlight; below a tangled right of way; below right, Dan Rivard, left, with armed forces personnel.

Responding to the call



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- February 24-Senior Volleyball at Norwood
-Midget Basketball at Campbellford
- February 25-School Council Meeting 7:30 in the HHSS Seminar room
-Kawartha Junior Volleyball at Lakefield
-Kawartha Junior Basketball at Norwood
-Mr. Yake's Grade 12 to Sir Sam's
- February 26-Kawartha Midget Volleyball
- February 26,27 -Elm Trail Leaders to Haliburton Forest
- February 23-27 -Spirit Week
- February 27-Queens/Trent Concurrent Education Seminar. 2:05 p.m. at HHSS
- February 27,28 -Dance-a-thon 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. (theatre fundraiser)

We are also selling advertising space for the HHSS yearbook. Call HHSS for details.

Speeds reached more than 100 miles per hour

Luke Lester fourth in 235 mile cross country race

- submitted -

Seventeen year-old Luke Lester of Minden, competing in his second ever cross country race, piloted his Tim George tuned Polaris XC-600 to a fourth place finish in the Nordcan 250 Cross Country Race. Luke was the first Sport Division Canadian Snow Cross Racing Association (CSRA) driver across the finish line behind three other veteran, Hearst area, non-CSRA racers. He will receive top Sport Class points for his effort.

Luke ran the 235 mile race in just over 275 minutes, including three fuel stops. This time was actually good enough to place him sixth overall, including the Pro Division finishers. Luke's The Wedge of Haliburton sponsored XC-600 was clocking speeds up to 110 miles per hour, with temperatures hovering near minus 20 C (2 below F) at race time. The course consisted of tight, ungroomed bush trails, heavily moguled, with

rough high speed sections, as well as wide open pipe and hydro line trails, which pushed riders to full throttle speeds above 100 MPH for long distances on spectacular humpy routes.

The course took its toll on riders, with nearly 50 per cent of the entries posting DNFs (Did Not Finish) as a result of spills, trashes and mechanical problems dealt out by an unforgiving course. With speeds running high, driver skill was strained to the limit, attempting to stay out of trouble in the gnarly sections of the course.

Luke's Polaris Indy ran flawlessly for four and half hours of racing time. Using the solid handling, suspension and top end power of his XC-600 he was able to bring the sled home in one piece. Cross Country snowmobile racing is truly a test of both rider and machine. Luke and his XC proved they are up to the task against an international field of competitors on all brands of snowmobiles.

Many helped to ease ice storm burden

In the aftermath of the worst ice storm in living memory, many communities are slowly returning to something like a normal routine, although it may take years to restore all that has been lost. In some communities, houses were dark and cold for weeks. People took refuge in shelters or with friends and family. Others stuck it out at home with generators and wood stoves.

I want to thank, on behalf of the communities located within the ice storm disaster, the many individuals and organizations who took the time to assist many needy people. Municipalities throughout Victoria-Haliburton did a fine job of collecting food and shelter items along with providing financial assistance.

I want to also thank the reeves and mayors for their hard work in organizing these efforts. There are numerous individuals whose good will was appreciated by many. Unfortunately, I can't personally name them all. People like Robert McFadden, a grade three student at Omeme's Lady Eaton Elementary School. Robert was responsible for raising \$1,368.89 on behalf of the school. Catherine Hennings spear-headed "Operation Ice Storm" in the Lindsay area. People of all ages located within the riding of Victoria-Haliburton played major parts in relief efforts.

Monmouth Reeve Keith Tallman and Haliburton County Warden Murray Fearrey helped organize the delivery of 17 bush cords of wood to Alexandria where residents without heat could use it to stoke their fireplaces. Once again municipal efforts combined with individuals to help a great cause.

Brock Hydro sent crews, trucks and generators. Minden Hydro crews were also deployed into stricken areas. St. John ambulance members from Fenelon Falls spent three to four days assisting communities struck by the disaster. Radio stations and various newspapers offered free time and space to help raise funds. Various organizations such as the United Way, the Salvation Army, the Red Cross etc. all helped out. Lindsay OPP constables spent a week in Manotick assisting efforts.

Personal businesses also helped pitch in. One local company was Universal Enterprises in Lindsay. Partners Guy Logan and Dan Haviland worked 16 hour days for two weeks straight, trying to restore power to victims in St. Jean and St. Luc, Quebec.

Once again these are just a few of the fine efforts of individuals, organizations and municipalities located within this great riding of Victoria-Haliburton. It's wonderful that we have such fine people helping others. This riding truly cares about all Canadians.

The federal government also played an important role in aiding disaster areas. As Prime Minister Jean Chrétien said in a radio address, "We all know communities pulled together as never before. The darkness was lighted by thousands of individual acts of kindness by friends and neighbours, and by fellow Canadians from coast to coast. So many people showed courage, generosity and determination."

Governments at all levels worked together to provide food and shelter, to repair damaged hydro lines, to clear roads, and to repair the damage.

Prime Minister Jean Chrétien made sure

that the federal government was doing all it could to assist.

The Government of Canada organized "Operation Recuperation," the largest-ever mobilization of soldiers for disaster relief in Canadian history. More than 15,000 Ca-

nadian Forces soldiers supported the efforts of provincial and municipal authorities in areas affected by the storm.

More than 4,600 regular troops and reservists were de-

ployed in Ontario alone.

Their presence was most needed in rural areas of Eastern Ontario, where thousands of people were without electricity for an extended period, and where many suffered extensive damage to their

homes and property. Dairy farmers struggled to find generators to keep their farms running, and had to dump milk because of refrigeration and transport problems. Livestock losses were a major concern.

Armed Forces personnel cleared branches and other debris, helping Hydro workers repair power lines. Troops co-ordinated a Canada-wide "aerial bridge", directing shipments of beds, generators, and supplies throughout the region. They checked on homes, helped

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Ottawa report

by John O'Reilly, MP

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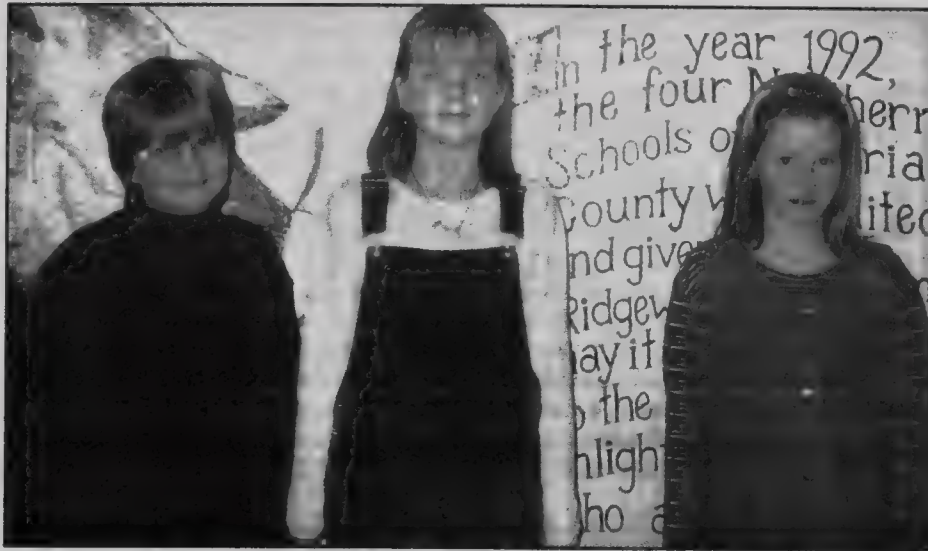
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Ridgewood students are talking

Students at Ridgewood Public School have been speaking out in class and winning praises for doing so.

The students in question were taking part in the annual public speaking competition, held February 4. The three best speakers from each of the junior classes and four of the best from each of the intermediate classes spoke before a school assembly.

The juniors included Codie Crockford, Kya Lewis, Janine Van Nus, Lydia Fogwell, Mike Janke, Jenny Pernerowski, Sarah Grozelle, Jacqueline Zanata and Lhisha Bennett. The intermediate speakers were Phil Coles, Michael



ABOVE: Junior division winners Janine Van Nus, Kya Lewis and Codie Crockford.

BELOW: Intermediate division winners Mark Janke, Yanka Clementi and David Suggitt.



Barrington, Yanka Clementi, Chantelle Lauchlan, David Suggitt, Mark Janke, Dawn Levesque and Kelly Fraser.

The junior winners were Kya Lewis, Codie Crockford, and Janine Van Nus. Mark Janke, David Suggitt and Yanka Clementi won from the intermediate division with Dawn Levesque as a spare.

On February 9, the winners took part in the Legion competition with junior Codie Crockford emerging as a winner.

Congratulations to all the speakers and thanks to the judges, Mrs. Van Nus, Mrs. Lee and Mrs. Murphy.

(Report prepared with the assistance of Chantelle Lauchlan and Yanka Clementi, members of the Grade Eight Press Club.)

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INVITATION TO TENDER

Tenders are invited for the staffing and operation of Snowdon Township's landfill sites.

Tender documents and specifications are available at the municipal office from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Sealed tenders will be received at:

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"Landfill Tender - Operations"
Attention: Ernest A. Hills
Clerk-Treasurer

Closing date:

Friday, March 13, 1998 at 4:00 p.m.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted!



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SNOWDON

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Tenders are invited for providing maintenance services in compliance with Operational Plans for Snowdon Township's landfill sites.

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SNOWDON

ROAD ALLOWANCE CLOSURE

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Snowdon proposes to pass at its Meeting scheduled for Monday, March 23rd, 1998 at 7:30 p.m.:

A By-law to close and convey part of the original shore road allowance being Part 1, Plan 19R-6440, fronting upon Part Lot 6, Concession 13, in the Township of Snowdon in the County of Haliburton, being frontage upon South Lake.

All submissions by any affected person shall be considered by Council prior to the rendering of any decision.

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Hyland Crest celebrates a weekend of fun

Here we are again. Did you do anything special for Valentine's Day? We sure did: a Valentine family dinner on Saturday, February 14. Residents along with their families and friends thoroughly enjoyed some time together. All the preparations that have been going on for some time were certainly well appreciated. Both the dining room and auditorium were beautifully decorated in red and white, the table settings were lovely and there were balloons everywhere.

As we mentioned a while ago, the residents this year selected the menu. The main course: Chicken Cordon Bleu with small salad and mixed vegetables, white wine and for dessert a scrumptious freshly made carrot cake. The whole meal was absolutely delicious. After dinner, seven more portraits were added to our "Wall of Fame." They were Muriel Harrison, Anne MacKay, Laura Upton, Bessie Burke, Alice Morrison, Lucile Clarke and Joan Evans.

Following these presentations, Gord Kidd entertained us beautifully. It was certainly a lovely dinner and we were told there were 145 people in attendance. Many, many thanks to our dietary staff, activity staff,

Senior League

by the Roving Reporters

administration and our own residents who made so many decorations etc. and any others who helped make it a memorable day.

Due to the flu bug, the Allsaw Pentecostal Church volunteers were unable to host our tea party on February 12. However, thanks to Linda, our dietary staff and volunteers we enjoyed our tea party after all. We sure hope they will reschedule their visit. Afterward we had fun with a quiz.

Sunday February 15 was a quiet day here. It gave us time to rest up after our busy Saturday. The following day we participated in "Keep Fit" and later in the afternoon many of us attended hymn sing with the gospel singers. An hour of good old hymns which we love. With their leadership and "capable Kelly" at the piano we could not help but join in the singing. Their enthusiasm is very contagious.

We are sorry to report the illness of Jenny Hagan. Our get well wishes go out to her.

Our weekly chapel took place on February 17 with Reverend Peter Walford-Davis and later in the day the craft group met and started making preparations for St. Patrick's Day. This sure is a busy group!

We are writing this a day early this week. Our schedule has changed for a couple of weeks. But don't worry, our column will still get out. We will catch up on more news next week. In the meantime, take care.

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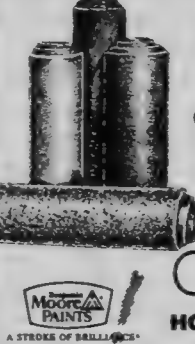
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Concerns about business taxes

My office has received calls from some business property owners concerned about increases in their tax bills. They are justly concerned and we have been working to explain to them that their taxes are not necessarily going up. The interim tax bills they have received are part of a new structure that may include taxes previously collected from tenants leasing their business property.

The new structure, which is still being completed, has replaced the unfair Business Occupancy Tax, which was scrapped last year.

The Business Occupancy Tax (BOT) on tenants was based on an outdated, arbitrary structure that had wild fluctuations in the tax rates set. For years, municipalities had been urging the province to eliminate the BOT because it was not secured by property and was confusing and hard to collect.

We listened to municipal leaders and scrapped it. In its place, we gave municipalities greater flexibility to determine how commercial taxes should be collected.

Ideally, of course, many municipalities may seek to lower the taxes charged to businesses, by finding greater efficiencies within their own operations.

However, municipalities have the flexibility to recover the revenues they used to receive from the BOT from business classes or from other classes, provided this does not cause an unfair tax shift among classes.

Certainly, the changes are not intended to cause a windfall for business tenants and we have listened to property owners' concerns.

On February 5, Finance Minister Ernie Eves announced that our government will introduce legislation that, if passed, would ensure fair treatment of landlords and tenants of business properties with gross leases. The legislation would require municipalities to pass by-laws specifying a portion of tax to a legislated maximum that may be passed on to tenants.

The legislation would also allow landlords in Business Improvements Areas (BIA's) to pass on the BIA levy to tenants, so that tenants would continue to have the opportunity to participate in the operation and management of their BIA.

The interim tax bills that businesses have received do not necessarily reflect each property's final taxes, as property for 1998 will be a function of the current value assessment and municipal tax decisions to be made later this year by your municipal politicians. For the interim bills, municipalities have been allowed to collect up to 50 per cent of the total revenue raised in 1997 with plenty of room for adjustments to be made at the time of final billing.

Ultimately, this new structure will offer many

improvements over the old structure. For example, municipalities now have greater recourse to collect tax bills that aren't being paid.

Our government remains committed to lower taxes and a fairer system for taxes that are collected. These are key components to an expanding economy and job growth.

Queen's Park Report

by Chris Hodgson, MPP

John O'Reilly

(from page 19)

transport people to shelters, guarded and evacuated neighbourhoods. Soldiers patrolled communities in attempts to detain individuals suspected of looting.

The federal government will also bear most storm-related costs incurred by the Ontario government. Under the same program that helped with the costs of flood damage in the Saguenay and in Manitoba, the federal government will pay about half of the first \$55 million spent by Ontario and 90 per cent of all additional eligible expenses. It has already released \$25 million to the Ontario government to assist the storm-ravaged areas of the province.

Prime Minister Chrétien delayed joining the Team Canada trade mission to Latin America, to make sure that everything possible was done to meet the needs of Canadians affected by the crisis. Underlining the close co-operation that characterizes the relief effort, he said, "We worked as Team Canada together in the face of a disaster." That same spirit will guide efforts to rebuild communities when the crisis comes to an end.

ONTARIO GOVERNMENT NOTICE REDUCED LOAD RESTRICTIONS

A) Pursuant to Sub-Section 122(5) of the Highway Traffic Act, the following King's Highways and Local Roads Boards in the Bancroft District of the Ministry of Transportation will be designated to "Reduced Load Limits."

Hwy. 523: From Jct. Hwy 60 at Madawaska southerly to Hastings/Nipissing County Bdry.

Hwy. 7033: Old Irondale Rd.

Sabine Local Roads Board
Murchison Local Roads Board
Madawaska Local Roads Board
Hay Lake Local Roads Board
Dickens Local Roads Board

The above highways and Local Roads Boards will be subject to "Reduced Load Limits" effective upon the erection of signs, which may be erected any time after March 1st, depending on weather conditions.

B) RESTRICTIONS ON PERMITS ISSUED

Pursuant to Section 110 of the Highway Traffic Act:

- (1) All annual and project permits for moving of heavy vehicle loads, objects or structures, in excess of limits set out in the Act, unless otherwise specified are not valid on any highways during the months of March and April.
- (2) Single trip permits, for moving of overloads on highways not designated in Schedules 1, 2 and 3, may be issued, but are subject to axle controls established by Compliance Branch, Safety and Regulation Division.



THE CORPORATION OF
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Tender documentation may be obtained from the Municipal Office during regular business hours.

Proposals should be submitted in a sealed envelope to the attention of the undersigned, clearly marked "Arena Snack Bar", no later than Friday, March 13, 1998 at 12:00 noon.

HIGHEST OR ANY PROPOSAL NOT NECESSARILY ACCEPTED.

Clayton Cameron,
Public Works Superintendent



THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIPS OF ANSON,
HINDON AND MINDEN

NOTICE

(File No. SRA-97-0M)

IN THE MATTER OF the Municipal Act; and
IN THE MATTER OF a proposed by-law of the Corporation of the Townships of Anson, Hindon and Minden to stop up, close and convey to the adjoining landowner, portions of the original allowance for road along the shore of Bob Lake, lying in front of Part Lots 9 and 10, Concession 3, in the Township of Anson.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 300 (1) (a) of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, that the Council of the Corporation of the Townships of Anson, Hindon and Minden proposes to consider, and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on March 12, 1998 at the hour of 10:00 a.m., a by-law to stop up, close and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:-

Parts of the original allowance for road along the shore of Bob Lake, lying in front of Part Lots 9 and 10, Concession 3, Township of Anson, designated as Part 1 on Plan 19R-5207,

The plan of survey is available for inspection in the Municipal Office, at Minden, Ontario during regular office hours.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that before passing the said by-law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above-mentioned, the Council shall then and there hear in person, or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected by the said by-law and who applies to be heard.

DATED AT THE Township of Minden this 27th day of January, 1998

Tammy McKelvey, A.M.C.T.
Clerk-Treasurer
P.O. Box 359, 7 Milne Street,
Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LUTTERWORTH PUBLIC NOTICE

File # SR-30/97

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Lutterworth, proposes to enact a by-law to stop up, close and convey to the abutting property owner a portion of the original allowance for road set out and described as follows:

FIRSTLY: ALL and singular those certain parcels or tracts of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Township of Lutterworth, in the County of Haliburton and being composed of part of the original sixty-six foot shore road allowance along the shore of Clear Lake, lying in front of Part of Lot 16, Concession 5, and being more particularly described as Part 1 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of the County of Haliburton as Plan 19R-6441.

THE PROPOSED BY-LAW will come before the said Council for consideration at its Regular Meeting at the Municipal Office, located three miles south of Minden on Highway #35, on the 12th day of March, 1998, at the hour of 4:00 p.m. and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard.

DATED at the Township of Lutterworth this 2nd day of February, 1998.

Mary Jane Irwin, A.M.C.T.,
Clerk-Treasurer,
Township of Lutterworth,
P.O. Box 850,
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Around the County Town

by Nora Snyder (call 286-4425)

I'm back!! Back to reality!! It was a good holiday. I was in Florida for two weeks, travelling through the state from top to bottom and coast to coast. My favourite places were St. Augustine and Key Largo. The former was historic, interesting and beautiful. The latter was tropical, lush and beautiful. It was good to get away for awhile. It was also time to come home and I am glad I am here.

Thank you, Susan, for writing my column while I was away. Susan captured my style perfectly. I thought I was reading myself!

How sad to read of Mary Coneybeare's death. I didn't know Mary well but I knew how much she gave to this town. When I first came to Minden she was very welcoming to me. She told me that her sons had gone to my father's camp. That was a good connection. Now knowing Chris and Michelle through Chris' wonderful butcher shop and their generosity of opening their home for last year's Home and Garden Tour. My condolences go out to Mary's family for their loss of such a special person. A great loss for us all.

Good to read that the sled dog race was such a success this year. I am not surprised as Minden was certainly humming that weekend. Part of my trip to Florida was spent with an aunt who winters in a small town in central Florida called Mt. Dora. It reminded me so much of Minden. Being a tourist town, they are dealing with the same issues we are. Every month in the winter they host a major event. The Art Fair was on when I was there. Over the two day event they attracted 300,000 visitors!! It was wall to wall people. The quality of the art was top notch. I saw an artist there from Markham and others from all over the States. Just having experienced the sled dog races, the two events felt very similar. Both towns promoting their areas by drawing in tourists with high quality and well run special events.

Life goes on here! It feels good to hear from all of you with your scores and your news!

Firstly, the Minden Food Bank managers say "Thank you, thank you, thank you," to the many generous donors who have contributed food or money to their outreach endeavour. All the donations have helped to supplement the food

needs of approximately 233 families this year. Thank you for caring. That heartfelt message is from Mary Hicks, chair of the Minden Food Bank.

On January 12, at the Minden Legion there was another good time playing Euchre. Marg McAfee won most lone hands for the ladies and Tod Edgson for the men. High score, ladies, Lila Mitchell and men, Jim Bradbury. Low score, ladies, was won by Gala Stamp, low score, man, Norm Lee. Other prizes were won by Bill Mitchell, May Bradbury and Sherin Brown.

St. Paul's Friendship Club, on February 16, didn't have as many members present as usual, but the afternoon was lovely just the same. Alf Whyman won most lone hands. High lady and high man were Laura Carnegie and Pearl Cowen! The 50/50 draw was won by Ken Rowden.

Two weeks of standings for the Stanhope Bridge Club. Good to see Betty Dicker's name still there! On February 10, third highest score was won by Chris Stender; second by Dorothy Strype and our Betty Dicker was first. A small slam was bid and made by Chris Stender and Betty Dicker!

On February 17, the bronze medal was won by Dorothy Strype, the silver by Ambrose Carroll and the gold by our friendly caller, Ross Fletcher. (I had to get some mention of the Olympics in the column!!)

Club 35 Euchre results from February 16: 50/50 draw Helen Henderson; lone hands Mary Reesor; highs Jean Randell and Garth Windsor; lows Dolly Kelly and Alf Whyman; baloney Harry Rendell.

Audrey Vick called in the scores for the Gelert Community Centre Euchre Scores on the night I got home from my trip. Luckily I was still awake! Audrey won the ladies high. Gerald Hicks won lone hand and Betty Hicks won low hand. Men's high and low hands were won by Bill Sanford and Truman McNeil, respectively. Don Hicks won the 50/50 draw. There was a good crowd out that night and there was lots of snow to drive home through when the night was over. Everyone made it safely home!!

Marg McAfee phoned with results of the Senior Bid Euchre at the Legion. Marg is doing well lately too. Isn't life interesting in it's ups and downs! Highs were won by Ida Young, Howard Smith and Marg McAfee. Hidden Score: Helen Henderson; Moonshots: Marcel Roussel and Howard Smith. Quite a few people are away now, so the group is smaller but lots of fun was had by all anyway.

The Carnarvon Bowling Lanes held its Senior's Black Tower Competition over the last five weeks. They played 15 games in total. The scores are the result of a team effort. The first team on Wednesday was made up of Marie Thompson, Verna Sawyer, Ross Henderson, Marcel Roussel and Bea James. Their score was +822!! The second team included, Pat Scadden, Wilda Vipond, Bill Stead, Ed McGrath, Avar Edwards and June Munns. Their score was +266.

The Thursday afternoon first team is made up of Georgina Parkes, Beverly Alexander, Helen Dentinger, Gwen Taylor, Bill Stead and Bill Hogg. Their score was +761. The second team, Bernice Gillies, Margaret Schepers, Donna Purdy, Jim Chamberlain and Merv Bunker, scored +646 for the series. It sounds like a good league. Marie told me that all the teams are so grateful there is only a small smoking section at the lanes. There is not an overwhelming smell of smoke to contend with as they

bowl. That's Great!!

A reminder for Saturday, February 28, starting at 11:00 a.m., Hearty Ski is being held at Glebe Park. It is sponsored by the Haliburton Highlands Cross Country Ski Club for the Heart and Stroke Foundation. Daily trail fees will be waived for this event. You may contact Peter Brogden at 754-2351 for more information. Cross-country skiing is a great way to get outside in the winter and in this case to help a more than worthwhile community organization.

The Stanhope Bid Euchre had 7 moonshots. I don't think I have ever reported that many before! The winning scores were: Ida Young, 294; Lottie Ruttan, 265; Grace Dixon, 242; Ken Wallace, 272; Rob Evans, 228. It sounds like a good time was had by all.

Speaking of Ken Wallace, congratulations on your BIG win!! Also I am glad your picture was in the paper because now I know who you are. (Ken calls in the scores for Euchre at Club 35.) I used to sell you and Shirley Nevada tickets at the Rotary Club Bingo! No big wins there that I remember but I always enjoyed talking to you!

It was good to have a holiday! It is good to back! It is good to connect with you all again!

Have a good week!



DISTRICT HEALTH COUNCIL

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DISTRICT HEALTH COUNCIL

Letter of Appreciation

The Members and staff of the Haliburton, Kawartha & Pine Ridge District Health Council (DHC) wish to inform the public that the office of the Council will be closed as of March 31st, 1998.

The Ministry of Health announced in September 1997 that District Health Councils across the province will be reduced from 33 to 16. This reduction will occur through amalgamation of existing DHCs. The Haliburton, Kawartha & Pine Ridge District Health Council will be amalgamated with the Durham District Health Council.

The Members and staff of this DHC take this opportunity to thank its many volunteers for their work and efforts to build a healthy community. The infrastructure for planning of this DHC has been vital and successful because of the countless hours of commitment that volunteers have contributed on behalf of the community and the counties of Haliburton, Northumberland, Peterborough and Victoria.

To prepare the new Council for its role in planning on behalf of our four counties and the Region of Durham, we have prepared a hand-off report which documents the many planning tables and initiatives of this DHC. The report will be forwarded to the new DHC and to the Ministry of Health prior to the closure of our office at the end of March. Copies of this report will also be available in our office.

To ensure that the extensive work that has been done by the Council on behalf of the community is maintained as a resource to the public, copies of the DHC reports, needs assessments and plans will be provided to: Trent University, the Peterborough Area Office of the Ministry of Community and Social Services, and the Peterborough and Lindsay Offices of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.

In appreciation of the countless hours that volunteers who have participated on the many committees, and task forces have spent, the District Health Council is hosting a volunteer appreciation reception on March 12th, 1998 between the hours of 2:00 and 5:30 p.m. at the office of the DHC, located at 159 King Street, Suite 300. We owe a great deal to our volunteers and hope that this coming together will demonstrate how sincerely we value the work of our many communities, task forces and supporters.

We are sure that the new council, when it is formed, will enjoy the same community support that has been afforded our DHC. Again, we thank you for your years of commitment to making our district a healthy community.

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Marvella Smith, Chairperson.

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The family of the late Russell King
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For the many donations, phone calls
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To Rev. Peter Walford-Davis, Melissa
Stephens, Barbara and the choir, our
darling granddaughter Meghan and
friend Betty Eaton for making Russ's
funeral service very meaningful for us.

To our nieces, nephews and friends,
for moral support and many visits to
the hospitals, I thank you.

To our kind friends and neighbours
for keeping the snow shovelled and
looking after our home, you were all
terrific. To the Monk Funeral Home
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*Lorraine King, Susan & Pat Johnston and family,
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AT REST

WALLING, Donald

(Resident of Haliburton, Ontario) At Haliburton Hospital on Friday morning, February 13, 1998 in his 68th year. Beloved husband of Bonnie Lee. Loving father of Susan (Mrs. Ron Basczynski). Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Dayna and Matthew. Dear brother of Eva (Mrs. Trevor Babbs). Sadly missed by all other family and dear friends. Friends were invited to call at the Haliburton Community Funeral Home, Hwy. #118, Haliburton (705) 457-9209 on Sunday afternoon, February 15, 1998 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Funeral Service was held in the Chapel on Monday afternoon, February 16, 1998 at 1 o'clock. Spring interment Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Alzheimer's Society would be appreciated by the family.

LOUCKS, Louisa

(formerly of Minden) Passed away peacefully in her sleep at the Wellington Terrace Nursing Home, Elora on Tuesday, February 17th, 1998. In her 95th year. Beloved wife of the late Chester Loucks. Loving mother of Lenora Biagi of Hamilton, Donald and Nancy Loucks of Campbell River, B.C., mother-in-law of Vera Loucks of Guelph and predeceased by her son Walter Loucks and by her daughter Donelda Loucks. Loving grandmother of Dennis Byers, Kay Marr, Robert Loucks, Linda DiCarlo, Donna Loucks, Tracy Loucks and great-grandmother of Cindy, Darren, Kirsten, Carrie, Jeremy, Arden and great-great-grandmother of Cody. Friends were invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home, 127 Main Street, Minden from 7-9 p.m. Thursday. Funeral Service was held in the Chapel on Friday, February 20th, 1998 at 2 p.m. Spring interment at the Minden Cemetery. Memorial donations to the Lung Association would be appreciated by the family.

AT REST

MITCHELL, Clarence J.

Served with the 17th Duke Royal Canadian Hussars W.W. II, Retired O.P.P. Officer (25 years of Service). Passed away suddenly at home on the 9th Line of Somerville Twp. (R.R. #2, Burnt River) on Saturday, December 20, 1997. In his 74th year. Husband to and loving friend of Sheila, loving father of Lewis and wife Jamie, Mary Mitchell and husband Dean Roberts, David and wife Marlene Elliott, Ken and wife Linda Elliott, Robert Elliott, Mary Hatch, George and wife Joyce Rossler. Grandfather of 15 grandchildren, predeceased by his parents Leo and Veronica Mitchell. Brother of Loretta, Leo, Bernice, Catherine, Tom, Harvey and predeceased by Vernard and Marie. Loved by many nieces and nephews. The Funeral Mass was held at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Kinmount on December 23rd, 1997. Cremation has taken place. A Memorial Service will be held at St. Patrick's Catholic, Lucan, Ontario (Highway 4 and the Roman Line) on Saturday, February 28th, 1998 at 1 p.m. Interment to follow at St. Patrick's Cemetery. Friends are invited to join the family for a reception after the Service at the Royal Canadian Legion in Lucan. Memorial Donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family. Arrangements entrusted to the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., Minden.

DUNBAR, Charles

(Resident of Norland, Ontario) At Soldier's Memorial Hospital in Orillia on Wednesday, February 18, 1998 in his 66th year. Beloved husband of Gladys Ellis. Loving father of Alison (Mrs. Peter Bowins) of Head Lake, Barbara and Brenda of Norland, Colleen (Mrs. Jim Wyatt) of Newmarket and Robert (Charles) of Michigan. Fondly remembered by nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Dear brother of James of Edmonton. Predeceased by his sister Madeline, his brother Bob and parents Roy and Eva Dunbar. Friends were invited to call at the Coboconk Community Funeral Home, Cameron Street (on Hwy #35) in Coboconk (705) 454-3913 on Friday evening, February 20, 1998 from 7-9 p.m. Funeral Service was held in the Chapel on Saturday morning, February 21, 1998 at 11 o'clock. Spring interment Pinegrove Cemetery, Norland. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Canadian Lung Association or the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family. A Legion Service was held at the Funeral Home on Friday evening, February 20, 1998 at 8 o'clock.

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